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NOTICE!

To Riverside, one and one-third fare for the round trip. Be sure and get a receipt certificate when you buy your going ticket. Receipt certificates will be issued with going tickets 15 days before the date of the meeting. Meeting at The New Glenwood Hotel, Riverside, April 18th to 20th.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

With the deepest and most profound reverence, one may well say, Thank God! The Legislature has adjourned sine die! Fortunately, THANK no harm has been done so far as the re-G O D! lations of the physician to the public are concerned, and the standards required for eligibility to practice medicine within the state remain unchanged. The more than dangerous antivaccination bill, which was passed by both houses, was vetoed by the Governor, of course. Assembly Bill No. 267, which amended the present medical law practically out of existence, came to a vote after third reading on March 7th, and was defeated by 43 to 14, from which it would appear that the measure really had few friends in the house. Assembly Bill No. 1164, which amended the same law in the section defining the practice of medicine in such a way as to permit any pharmacist to practice medicine or surgery, was, on the same day, refused passage by a vote of 13 to 34. The two bills representing the very acme of superlative legislative assininity, the bills creating a board of examiners of "naturopathy" (?), died on the file; had they come to a vote they would have been snowed under even deeper than No. 267. It has been rumored that several of these and similar "foolish bills," were introduced with the hope of passing them up to the Governor, knowing that he would have to veto them and thus make a few enemies who would oppose a second term. Whether this rumor is anything more than idle words, we do not know; but he has been spared the necessity. For all of these things let us be thankful, and for that we do not have to be watchful for another two years, let us unite in saying, Thank God! The Legislature has adjourned! (But what an ironical commentary on the venality of the men we elect to frame our laws!)

As probably every member of the Society knows, the next meeting of the American Medical Association will be held in THE A. M. A. Portland, July 11th to 14th.

MEETING. We understand that a large number of California physicians are planning to attend this meeting, and to them we would suggest that they do not delay in the matter of securing accommodations. Address Dr. Kenneth A. J. McKenzie, Portland, Oregon.

Many members of the A. M. A. in the East will attend and to them we would suggest that they do not return without coming South and visiting their friends in California—the garden spot of the United States. The hospitality of the Californian has long since passed into a proverb and we feel that it is almost superfluous to lay stress upon the fact that we will be more than glad to welcome the whole association, collectively and individually, and show them as much of our glorious State as they have time to see. Nowhere will they find such a magnificant chain of all-the-year-round resorts as are to be met with here, from Shasta in the north to Coronado in the south. Gentlemen, when you leave Portland for your homeward journey, come southward and visit us; you will be more than well repaid for your trip.

The President of the American Academy of Medicine, Dr. John B. Roberts, made a masterly presentation of certain very perti-

BOARDS OF extraction of certain very performent things connected with "The Doctor's Duty to the State," in his address at the last meeting. In

this issue the Journal takes the liberty of quoting some paragraphs from this address, and begs to emphasize the fact that Dr. Roberts' opinion is well worth very careful and serious consideration. Doubtless there never was and never will be a state board of medical examiners that will not receive criticism, due either to its rigid enforcement of the laws under which it operates or to the character and scope of the examinations. In the very nature of things, no police measure can ever be rightly administered without interfering with some individuals, who will clamorously object and no doubt enlist the cooperation of those whose sympathies may be easily roused. There are always many persons whose sympathy can be readily worked upon. Witness the fact that no